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March 1, 2012

Kings County Association of Governments
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Dear Ms. Terri King:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) received the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) request for delegated authority from Caltrans to approve Administrative Modifications to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). The board action attached to your request indicates that the Executive Director is delegated the approval of Administrative Modifications for the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the FSTIP.

With the acknowledgement of your board action, Caltrans hereby delegates to KCAG the authority to approve Administrative Modifications to the FSTIP in accordance with the revised FSTIP/ FTIP Amendments and Administrative Modification Procedures dated June 3, 2011.

The following procedures apply to all MPOs that receive Caltrans' delegation:

1. Prior to approving the FTIP/FSTIP administrative modifications, KCAG may consult with Caltrans on proposed changes.
2. KCAG may request Caltrans to provide a cursory review of the administrative modification prior to KCAG's approval.
3. KCAG shall send copies of the approved administrative modifications to Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and other stakeholders. Caltrans will post the approved administrative modifications on the Division of Transportation Programming website.
4. Caltrans will routinely review KCAG's approved administrative modifications and will reject changes that do not comply with the revised procedures. In such cases, KCAG must correct all items of noncompliance.
5. Caltrans will withdraw its delegation from any MPO that is found to be consistently noncompliant with the revised FSTIP/ FTIP Amendments and Administrative Modification Procedures.

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Thank you for requesting this delegation that will undoubtedly streamline your region's programming process and thus expedite projects. My staff is looking forward to working with your staff to ensure a successful implementation of this delegation. If you have any questions, please call Muhaned Aljabiry at (916) 654-2983.

Sincerely,



RACHEL FALSETTI, Chief
Division of Transportation Programming

Attachments

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bc: Scott Carson, FHWA (w/attachments)
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December 8, 2011

Ms. Rachel Falsetti, Chief
California Department of Transportation
Division of Transportation Programming
P.O. Box 942874
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SUBJECT: Request for Delegation of Approval Authority for Administrative Modifications to the Federal-State Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP)

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

On behalf of the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) of the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) Commission and pursuant to the update (June 7, 2011) to the "Federal-Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) Amendment and Modification Procedures", adopted by the California Divisions of the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Kings County Association of Governments, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Kings County Region formally requests delegation for the approval of administrative modifications to the FSTIP.

The TPC approved the request for delegation by adopting KCAG Resolution No. 11-09 at their regularly scheduled meeting on July 20, 2011. As part of Resolution No. 11-09, the TPC also delegated to the Executive Director of KCAG (or designee) the authority to approve the administrative modifications to the FTIP/FSTIP.

The KCAG Public Participation Policy has been updated to reflect the Director Delegation to approve Administrative Modifications to the FSTIP.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Bruce Abanathie of my staff at (559) 852-2584, or Bruce.Abanathie@co.kings.ca.us.

KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Terri King, Executive Director

cc:

Sue Kiser, Federal Highway Administration
Ted Matley, Federal Transit Administration
Ms. Sharri Bender-Ehlert, Caltrans District 6

Mr. Steve Curti, Caltrans District 6
Mr. Jim Perrault, Caltrans DLAE

**BEFORE THE KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE DIRECTOR)
DELEGATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE)
MODIFICATIONS TO THE FEDERAL-)
STATE TRANSPORTATION)
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM)**

RESOLUTION NO. 11-09

**RE: DIRECTOR
DELEGATION**

WHEREAS, the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare and adopt a long range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region to become part of the Federal-Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP); and

WHEREAS, KCAG is responsible for preparing and processing administrative modifications and amendments to the RTP, FTIP, and the FSTIP; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA), in consultation with Caltrans has provided Revised Guidelines for administrative modifications and amendments (dated June 3, 2011), providing the opportunity for delegation of approving authority for Administrative Modifications to the FSTIP to the governing board/commissions and subsequently to the MPO director (or designee); and


WHEREAS, the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) identifies that it is appropriate, in addition to all former authorizing delegations, for the approval of FSTIP administrative modification actions to be delegated to the Executive Director of KCAG (or designee).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee Delegates approval of administrative modifications to the FTIP/FSTIP to the KCAG Executive Director or designee.

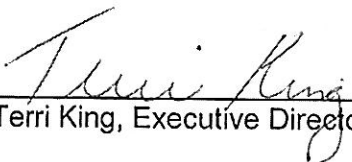
The foregoing Resolution was adopted on a motion by Commissioner Murray, seconded by Commissioner Hanshew, at a regular meeting held on the 20th day of July, 2011 by the following vote:

AYES: Murray, Hanshew, Chin, Neves, Barba, Casida, Treece
NOES:
ABSENT:

KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE


Chair

WITNESS, my hand this 20th day of July, 2011.


Terri King, Executive Director